(b) if so, the action taken on the sub-committee's report; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) to (c) The erstwhile Central Sanskrit Board (CSB), constituted by the Government for advice in various matters relating to Sanskrit, and later replaced by the Rashtriya Sanskrit Parishad in August, 2006, had constituted a Core Group to study the status of Sanskrit studies in Central Schools. One of the recommendations of the Core Group was to make efforts for teaching Sanskrit through the medium of Sanskrit. The three Sanskrit Deemed Universities under the control of Ministry of Human Resource Development viz., Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan, New Delhi, Shri Lal Bahadur Shastry Rashtriya Sanskrit Vidyapeeth, New Delhi and Rashtriya Sanskrit Vidyapeeth, Tirupati are imparting training to about 1200 students every year to enable them to teach Sanskrit in Sanskrit medium through the Shiksha Shastry and Shiksha Acharya courses.

Improvement of Sanskrit teaching methods

3315. SHRI SHREEGOPAL VYAS:

MISS ANUSUIYA UIKEY:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) how much grant has been given to Government or Non-Government Institutes for improving Sanskrit teaching methods and production of text books in Sanskrit language during the last three years; and

(b) how many teachers were trained in teaching Sanskrit through Sanskrit, under the Central Plan Scheme for the Development of Sanskrit?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) During the last three years, the Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan (RSKS), New Delhi, a Deemed University under the Ministry of Human Resource Development, has given the following grant to various institutions for improving Sanskrit teaching methods:

(Rs. in lakhs)

Sl.No.	Year	Government Institutes	Non-Government Institutes
1.	2006-07	Nil	751.42
2.	2007-08	20.016	1019.31
3.	2008-09	74.016	1027.57

(b) The Central Plan Scheme was administered by the Ministry of Human Resource Development till 2007. The Central Plan Scheme is being implemented by the Rashtriya Sanskrit

Sansthan from the financial year 2007-08. As intimated by the Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan, every year about 800 student teachers are imparted training enabling them to teach Sanskrit through Sanskrit medium in the Shiksha Shastri Course.

Sanskrit medium in universities

3316. SHRI SHREEGOPAL VYAS:

MISS ANUSUIYA UIKEY:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Sanskrit universities which have Pedagogy Department impart training through Sanskrit medium;

(b) whether they have produced text/reference books in Sanskrit;

(c) whether their students write examinations in Sanskrit;

(d) the steps National Council for Teacher Education (NCTE) has taken to check the quality with respect to the above aspects; and

(e) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) The three Deemed Universities under the Ministry of Human Resource Development namely, the Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan (RSkS), New Delhi, Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri Rashtriya Sanskrit Vidyapeeth (SLBSRSV), New Delhi and Rashtriya Sanskrit Vidyapeeth (RSV), Tirupati have Pedagogy Departments and they impart training through Sanskrit medium.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Yes, Sir. However, in SLBSRSV, for one of the papers *i.e.* Modern Subjects teaching, the students are allowed to write examinations in Sanskrit or Hindi medium.

(d) and (e) The National Council for Teacher Education (NCTE) prepares and recommends Curriculum Framework for different Teacher Education Programmes, and specifies the areas of studies only. The curriculum is developed and implemented by the Universities, who decide the syllabus and the subjects/languages to be taught in B.Ed. and M.Ed. programmes.

Corporal punishment in schools

†3317. SHRI PRABHAT JHA:

SHRI KAPTAN SINGH SOLANKI:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware of the fact that the incidents of different methods of torture to students by teachers in schools of the country are increasing;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.